

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, in the United States, an estimated 1,192,744 people are living with, or are in remission from, leukemia, lymphoma, or myeloma or another form of blood cancer; with an estimated 171,550 new cases expected to be diagnosed in 2016: and

WHEREAS, leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma and other blood cancers will kill an estimated 58,320 people in the United States this year alone: and

WHEREAS, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS), exists to find cures and ensure access to treatments for blood cancer patients: and

WHEREAS, LLS maintains an office in Vermont to help improve the quality of life for blood cancer patients and their families in the State of Vermont: and

WHEREAS, the State of Vermont is similarly committed to the eradication of these diseases and supports the treatment of blood cancer patients and their families; and

WHEREAS, the State of Vermont encourages private efforts to enhance research funding and education programs that are saving lives not someday, but today;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim September 2016 as

BLOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH
in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of
Vermont on this 25th day of August, A.D. 2016

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Peter Shumlin", followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Peter Shumlin
Governor